

5 **Amendments in the Claims:** (struck-through parts deleted and underlined parts added)

1. (original) A load support assembly for positioning on a pick-up bed having a cross-over toolbox positioned therein, the pick-up bed having a rear end, a front end, and a pair of side walls, each of the side walls having an upper edge, said assembly comprising:

10 a plurality of elongate members each having a first end, a second end, a bottom surface, a top surface, and a pair of lateral sides, each of said elongate members having a pair of holes extending therethrough, each of said holes being positioned adjacent to one of said first and second ends, each of said holes extending through said lateral sides, wherein said bottom surfaces  
15 are selectively positioned on the upper edges of the side walls such that said elongate members traverse the pick-up bed;

a plurality of guides being attached to each of said top surfaces of said elongate members such that each of said elongate members has a pair of spaced guides attached thereto; and

20 a pair of fasteners, each of said fasteners being selectively extendably through aligned ones of said holes and into the toolbox for attaching said elongate members to the toolbox.

2. (original) The load support assembly of claim 1, wherein each of said  
25 elongate members has a length greater than sixty inches from said first end to said second end.

3. (original) The load support assembly of claim 1, wherein each of said  
30 elongate members has a length substantially equal to sixty-four inches.

4. (original) The load support assembly of claim 2, wherein each of said  
elongate members has a height generally between two inches and three inches from said bottom surface to said top surface, each of said elongate members having a width generally between one inch and two inches.

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5           5.       (original) The load support assembly of claim 1, wherein each of said  
guides of said pair of guides being positioned forty-eight inches apart and being  
substantially equidistant from said first and second ends of said elongate member.

10           6.       (original) The load support assembly of claim 2, wherein each of said  
guides of said pair of guides being positioned forty-eight inches apart and being  
substantially equidistant from said first and second ends of said elongate member.

15           7.       (original)The load support assembly of claim 6, further including a  
plurality of stabilizers being selectively extendable into each of said bottom surfaces of  
said elongate members such that each of said elongate members has a pair of stabilizers  
extended therein, each of said stabilizers extending downwardly from said bottom  
surfaces, each of said stabilizers of said pair of stabilizers being spaced from each other  
and being positioned such that each of said pair of stabilizers abuts an inner surface of  
one of the side walls of the pick-up bed.

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          8.       (original)The load support assembly of claim 1, further including a  
plurality of stabilizers being selectively extendable into each of said bottom surfaces of  
said elongate members such that each of said elongate members has a pair of stabilizers  
extended therein, each of said stabilizers extending downwardly from said bottom  
25 surfaces, each of said stabilizers of said pair of stabilizers being spaced from each other  
and being positioned such that each of said pair of stabilizers abuts an inner surface of  
one of the side walls of the pick-up bed.

30           9.       (original) The load support assembly of claim 7, further including a  
plurality of loops, each of said loops being selectively coupled to one of said first and  
second ends of said elongate members.

35           10.      (original)The load support assembly of claim 1, further including a  
plurality of loops, each of said loops being selectively coupled to one of said first and  
second ends of said elongate members.

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11. (original) A load support assembly for positioning on a pick-up bed having a cross-over toolbox positioned therein, the pick-up bed having a rear end, a front end, and a pair of side walls, each of the side walls having an upper edge, said assembly comprising:

- 10 a plurality of elongate members each having a first end, a second end, a bottom surface, a top surface, and a pair of lateral sides, each of said elongate members having a pair of holes extending therethrough, each of said holes being positioned adjacent to one of said first and second ends, each of said holes extending through said lateral sides, each of said elongate members
- 15 having a length greater than sixty inches from said first end to said second end, each of said elongate members having a height generally between two inches and three inches from said bottom surface to said top surface, each of said elongate members having a width generally between one inch and two inches, wherein said bottom surfaces are selectively positioned on the
- 20 upper edges of the side walls such that said elongate members traverse the pick-up bed;
- a plurality of guides being attached to each of said top surfaces of said elongate members such that each of said elongate members has a pair of guides attached thereto, each of said guides extending upwardly from said top
- 25 surfaces, each of said guides of said pair of guides being positioned forty-eight inches apart and being substantially equidistant from said first and second ends of said elongate member;
- a plurality of stabilizers being selectively extendable into each of said bottom surfaces of said elongate members such that each of said elongate
- 30 members has a pair of stabilizers extended therein, each of said stabilizers extending downwardly from said bottom surfaces, each of said stabilizers of said pair of stabilizers being spaced from each other and being positioned such that each of said pair of stabilizers abuts an inner surface of one of the side walls of the pick-up bed;

5 a pair of fasteners, each of said fasteners being selectively extendably through  
aligned ones of said holes and into the toolbox for attaching said elongate  
members to the toolbox to define a storage position of said elongate  
members; and  
a plurality of loops, each of said loops being selectively coupled to one of said  
10 first and second ends of said elongate members.

12. (original)The load support assembly of claim 11, further including a  
plurality of mounts for positioning said elongate members above and spaced from the top  
edges of the side walls.

15 13. (original)The load support assembly of claim 12, wherein each of said  
mounts preferably includes a base and a plate extending upwardly away therefrom, each  
of said bases having a slot extending downwardly therein, each of said slots having a well  
extending therein, each of said bases having a pair of apertures extending therethrough  
20 and positioned on either side of said slot, wherein apertures may removably receive  
securing members for securing said base onto the top edges of the walls, each of the  
plates having a width substantially equal to a width of said slot so that said plate may be  
extended therein, each of a plurality of posts being attached to a bottom side of each of  
said plates for extending into the well, securing members being extendable through said  
25 elongate members and into a top side of one of the plates such that said elongate  
members traverse the pick-up bed.

14. (withdrawn) A load support assembly for positioning on a pick-up bed, the  
pick-up bed having a rear end, a front end, and a pair of side walls, each of the side walls  
30 having an upper edge, said assembly comprising:

a plurality of elongate members each having a first end, a second end, a bottom  
surface, a top surface, and a pair of lateral sides, each of said elongate  
members having a pair of holes extending therethrough, each of said holes  
being positioned adjacent to one of said first and second ends, each of said  
35 holes extending through said lateral sides;

- 5 a plurality of guides being attached to each of said top surfaces of said elongate members such that each of said elongate members has a pair of spaced guides attached thereto;
- a pair of fasteners, each of said fasteners being selectively extendably through aligned ones of said holes; and
- 10 a plurality of mounts for positioning said elongate members above and spaced from the top edges of the side walls such that said elongate members traverse the pick-up truck bed.
- 15 15. (withdrawn) The load support assembly of claim 14, wherein each of said mounts preferably includes a base and a plate extending upwardly away therefrom, each of said bases having a slot extending downwardly therein, each of said slots having a well extending therein, each of said bases having a pair of apertures extending therethrough and positioned on either side of said slot, wherein apertures may removably receive securing members for securing said base onto the top edges of the walls, each of the
- 20 plates having a width substantially equal to a width of said slot so that said plate may be extended therein, each of a plurality of posts being attached to a bottom side of each of said plates for extending into the well, securing members being extendable through said elongate members and into a top side of one of the plates such that said elongate members traverse the pick-up bed.
- 25 16. (withdrawn) The load support assembly of claim 15, wherein each of said elongate members has a length greater than sixty inches from said first end to said second end.
- 30 17. (withdrawn) The load support assembly of claim 16, wherein each of said guides of said pair of guides being positioned forty-eight inches apart and being substantially equidistant from said first and second ends of said elongate member.

5           18.     (withdrawn) The load support assembly of claim 16, further including a plurality of loops, each of said loops being selectively coupled to one of said first and second ends of said elongate members.

10           19.     (withdrawn) The load support assembly of claim 15, further including a plurality of loops, each of said loops being selectively coupled to one of said first and second ends of said elongate members.

15           20.     (withdrawn) The load support assembly of claim 14, further including a plurality of loops, each of said loops being selectively coupled to one of said first and second ends of said elongate members.